

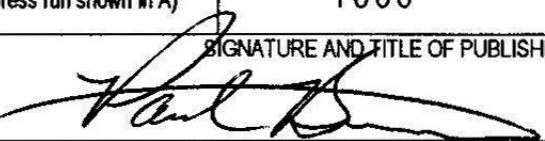
STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA
Statement of Legal Newspaper Ownership and Circulation

Return to: Secretary of State, 500 E. Capitol, Pierre, SD 57501-5077

1. TITLE OF NEWSPAPER ALCESTER UNION		2. DATE OF FILING 09/28/2001	
3. FREQUENCY OF ISSUE WEEKLY		3A. NO. OF ISSUES PUBLISHED ANNUALLY 52	3B. ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTION PRICE \$22/\$26
4. COMPLETE MAILING ADDRESS OF KNOWN OFFICE OF PUBLICATION (Street, City, County, State and ZIP+4 Code) (Not printers) PO BOX 227, 110 E. FIRST ST., ALCESTER, SD 57001-0227			
5. COMPLETE MAILING ADDRESS OF THE HEADQUARTERS OR GENERAL BUSINESS OFFICES OF THE PUBLISHER (Not printers) PO BOX 227, 110 E. FIRST ST., ALCESTER, SD 57001-0227			
6. FULL NAME OF PUBLISHER: PAUL B. BUUM			
7. OWNER (If owned by a corporation, its name and address must be stated and list on the back of this form the names and addresses of stockholders owning or holding 1 percent or more of total amount of stock. If not owned by a corporation, the names and addresses of the individual owners must be given. If owned by a partnership or other unincorporated firm, its name and address, as well as that of each individual must be given. FIRST NAME PAUL COMPLETE MAILING ADDRESS PAUL BUUM, PO BOX 301, XX DAKOTA, ALCESTER, SD 57001-0301			
8. KNOWN BONDHOLDERS, MORTGAGES, AND OTHER SECURITY HOLDERS OWNING OR HOLDING 1 PERCENT OR MORE OF TOTAL AMOUNT OF BONDS, MORTGAGES OR OTHER SECURITIES (If there are none, so state. If more space is needed, list on back of this form. STATE BANK OF ALCESTER, PO BOX 168, ALCESTER, SD 57001-0168			
MARY ETTA BROSE, PO BOX 44, ALCESTER, SD 57001-0044			
9. EXTENT AND NATURE OF CIRCULATION (See Instructions on reverse side)		AVERAGE NO. COPIES EACH ISSUED PRECEDING 12 MONTHS	ACTUAL NO. COPIES ISSUED NEAREST TO FILING DATE
A. TOTAL NO. COPIES (Net Press Run)		1000	1000
B. PAID AND/OR REQUESTED CIRCULATION 1. Sales through dealers and carriers, street vendors and counter sales.		160	170
2. Mail Subscription (Paid and or requested)		658	664
C. TOTAL PAID AND/OR REQUESTED CIRCULATION (Sum of 9B1 and 9B2)		818	834
D. FREE DISTRIBUTION 1. BY MAIL, CARRIER OR OTHER MEANS		32	32
2. SAMPLES, COMPLIMENTARY AND OTHER FREE COPIES		0	0
E. TOTAL DISTRIBUTION (Sum of C, D1 and D2)		850	866
F. COPIES NOT DISTRIBUTED 1. Office use, left over, unaccounted, spoiled after printing		102	75
2. Return from News Agents		48	59
G. TOTAL (Sum of E, F1 and F2 – Should equal net press run shown in A)		1000	1000

SIGNATURE AND TITLE OF PUBLISHER, BUSINESS MANAGER OR OWNER

I swear that the statements made by me above are correct and complete.



PUBLISHER-OWNER

State of South Dakota

County of

(Seal)

Notary Commission Expires
May 8, 2005

Sworn to before me this 28th day of

September, 2001
Michelle L. Buum

Notary Public

My commission expires _____